

### **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that the Amendment and Response mailed on July 27, 2006 is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.


If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207 3800.

Respectfully submitted,

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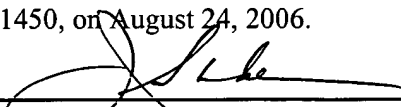
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FIG. 3E

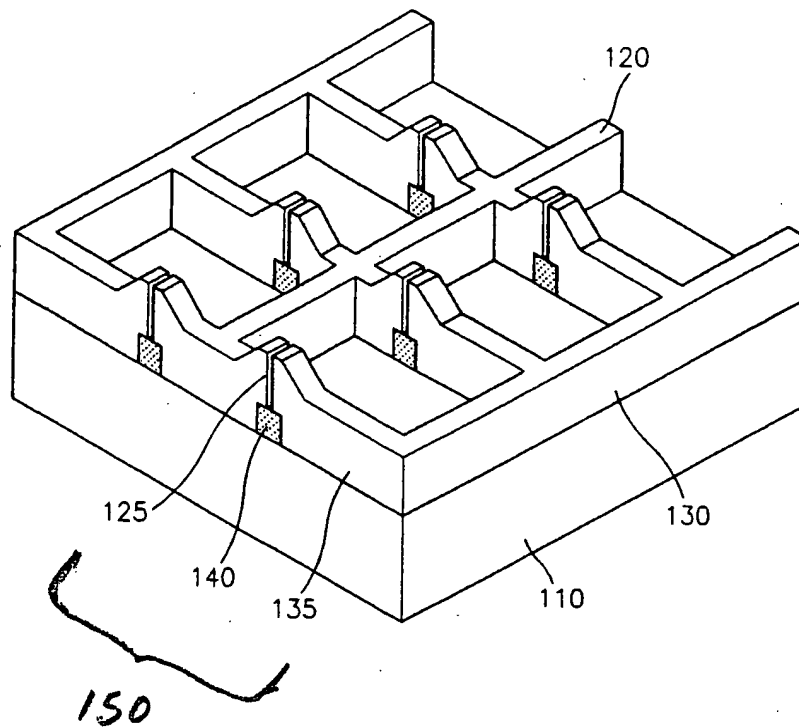


FIG. 4A

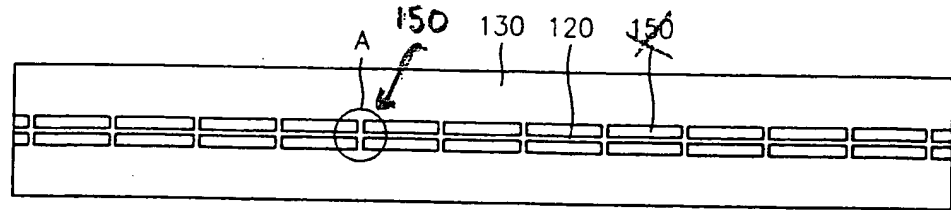


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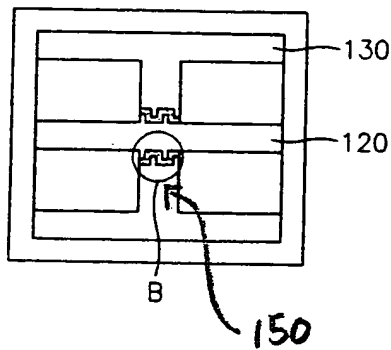


FIG. 4C

